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PART--I-- Orders and Notifications by the Government of Tripura, The High Court, Government Treasury etc.

Government of Tripura
Office of the Chief Secretary

No.F.2(1)/CS/H&FW/2020

Dated, 25th July, 2020

ORDER

It has come to the notice of the State Government that there is spread of COVID-19 occurring in different parts of the state which has posed a major threat to public health, hygiene and safety of the people;

It is also felt that unless stringent measures are put in place to contain the spread of the pandemic, there is chance of large scale spread of COVID-19 in the population which is likely to cause loss of human lives.

I, therefore, in the capacity of the Chairman of the State Executive Committee of Tripura State Disaster Management Authority, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 22 (2) (h) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 direct enforcement of "**Total Lockdown"** in entire area of the State of Tripura for 3 days w.e.f. 5 A.M. of 27th July 2020 (Monday) to 5 AM on 30th July, 2020 (Thursday). This will be in continuation of night curfew to be in force at 9 PM on 26th July (Sunday).

Prohibited Activities

- 1. Movement of individuals shall remain strictly prohibited except for essential needs.
- 2. All business/commercial establishments, shops and trade activities shall remain closed except those dealing essential goods like grocery, medicines, milk, vegetables, fish/meat etc. However, only 1/3rd of the grocery shops will be opened on the days of lockdown which will be decided by the market committees. Shopping Malls will remain closed.
- The inter-district and inter-state transport services shall remain suspended.
- 4. All public transport services shall remain suspended except those required for emergency services and transporting passengers from and to Rail Station and Airport.
- 5. Movement of all Private vehicles is banned except those required for emergency needs.
- 6. All hotel, restaurant and hospitality services shall remain suspended.
- 7. All educational, research, training, coaching institutions shall remain closed.
- 8. All places of worship shall remain closed for public. No religious congregation will be permitted without any exception.

- All social/political/sports/entertainment/academic/cultural/religious functions shall remain suspended.
- 10. Not more than 20 persons will be permitted in case of funerals.
- 11. Not more than 50 persons in marriage ceremony will be allowed.
- 12. All non-essential and avoidable movement of people shall be banned.
- 13. Congregation of more than 3 persons at a public place will be prohibited except places of exempted establishments.
- 14. Consumption and sale of paan, gutka, tobacco etc. in public places are prohibited.
- 15. Service /repair centres of equipment and appliances will remain closed.

Exemptions:

- 1. Defence, Central and State Police forces, Establishment of the District Magistrate, Home Guards, Courts, Civil Defence, Fire & Emergency Services, Disaster Management, correctional, traffic and Magisterial duties, Electricity, Water, Sanitation, Municipal services, old age and baby care homes, cremation service/ burial, private security service will be allowed to function with full attendance as they are essential services.
- Health institutions, both government and private and other allied services like ambulance etc will operate on full strength. There will no restriction on health care related activities like containment, testing, tracing, survey etc.
- All government Offices, Offices of Autonomous/Subordinate Offices and Private Offices shall remain open with only 1/3rd of employees. The Heads of Office/institution shall prepare rooster duty of employees accordingly.
- 4. Medical & optical stores, storage & transportation thereof.
- Print and electronic media including newspaper distribution will be allowed.
- Telecommunications, internet services, broadcasting and cable services, IT and IT enabled services to continue. Only emergency repair crew would be allowed movement.
- 7. Postal, currier service and e-commerce service.
- 8. Transportation of essential goods, vehicles of Health, Fire, Law and Order and Emergency Services are allowed.
- Transport service for passengers with valid train/air tickets will be allowed. However, physical distancing will be strictly followed along with compulsory use of mask and daily sanitization of vehicle.
- 10. Establishments used/earmarked for quarantine facilities shall operate.

- 11. Shops selling grocery, milk, baby food, medicines, and optical items are allowed. However, only 1/3rd of the grocery shops will be opened on the days of lockdown which will be decided by the market committees. Moreover, arrangements may be made for door delivery of essential items like vegetables, medicines etc to avoid unnecessary travel to markets. Persons engaged in door delivery will be allowed to operate without hindrance. Attempts will be made to shift congested markets to open field etc to avoid crowding in markets.
- 12. Shops selling essential items can operate only after ensuring social distancing measures and avoiding over-crowding through volunteers to regulate the shoppers. Shops having frontage of less than one meter will allow only one person at a time, those having one meter or more but less than 2 metre will allow two persons at a time and so on. Rest will stand behind with a distance of one meter in a queue. Market area will be sanitized on daily basis. Use of mask by shop keepers and shoppers will be compulsory.
- 13. Railway/Air offices and persons directly linked with operation of passenger and goods trains shall be allowed to operate on being so assigned.
- 14. Continuous process of industries would be allowed to function. Other industries may continue provided workforce stay in the premises or transportation of workers is arranged by the industries.
- 15. Petrol pumps, gas agencies and transportation of petroleum products would be allowed to operate.
- 16. Goods vehicles will be allowed to move both from outside the state and within the states.
- 17. Agricultural, Horticulture, Fisheries, Animal husbandry, Forestry activities, works under MGNREGS, and tea garden activities shall continue with social distancing.
- 18. Distribution of seed, fertilizer, fish seeds and other inputs in primary sector
- 19. All construction, UD and PWD works including road/ building construction/ repair shall continue with social distancing. However, shops & establishments selling construction materials and repair of construction equipment will remain closed.
- 20. Units producing/providing gas, power, drinking water, milk and other essential goods and services including those by ONGC, IOCL etc.
- 21. Any other units/services allowed by DM & Collector of the District.

All other activities other than specified as exempted above shall remain prohibited in the entire area of the state. Persons allowed to move for exempted services may carry identity card during movement. DMs and authorities designated by him may issue passes for movement of persons/vehicle of non-exempted categories in case of urgency.

Provision for thermal scanning, hand wash and sanitizer will be made at all entry and exit points and common areas of all offices and public places. All public places will be regularly sanitised. Wearing of face cover is compulsory in public places, in workplaces and during transport etc. Persons above 65 years of age, persons with co-morbidities, immuno- compromised persons, pregnant women and children below the age of 10 years are advised to stay at home, except for essential and health purposes.

All the District Magistrate & Collectors shall strictly enforce the above measures without any dilution. They are at liberty to invoke other legal provisions to enforce strict lockdown on being so satisfied of necessity. Any persons violating these measures will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provisions of Section 51 to 60 of Disaster Management Act, 2005, besides legal section Under Section 188 of I.P.C, and other legal provisions as applicable. The government has also imposed measures under the Epidemic Disease Act 1987, main provisions of which are indicated in **Annexure I**.

(Manoj Kumar)

Chief Secretary & Chairman, State Executive Committee

To

- 1. Addl. Chief Secretary, Government of Tripura, Agartala.
- 2. All Principal Secretary / Secretary / Special Secretary, Govt. Of Tripura.
- 3. Secretary, Tripura Legislative Assembly.
- 4. Director General of Police (In-charge), Tripura.
- 5. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Tripura.
- 6. All D.M & Collectors, Tripura.
- 7. All Superintendents of Police, Tripura.
- 8. All Heads of Department, Government of Tripura.

Annexure I

The State Government, in exercise of the powers conferred Under Section 2 of the Epidemic Disease Act 1987, framed "The Epidemic Disease COVID 19 regulations, 2020" to contain the spread of pandemic COVID 19 in the population. According to these regulations, following major restrictions have been imposed by the State Government:-

- 1. Observing home quarantine in case of travel history for 14 days.
- 2. Making compulsory wearing mask including homemade washable cloth mask/ face cover by any cloth in public/work place or while travelling / driving.
- 3. Social distancing to be ensured in public and private transport.
- 4. Restricting shops to operate only after ensuring appropriate social distancing measures and avoiding over-crowding **through volunteers to regulate shoppers**. The shops having frontage less than one meter shall allow only one person at a time, having frontage 1 (one) or more but less than 2 (two) meters, two persons shall be allowed at a time and so on. Rest may stand behind with a distance of one meter in queue. The shopkeeper and shoppers shall compulsorily wear mask / face covers. Compulsory daily sanitization of area.

Penalty for the violations of the regulations is as follows:-

- 1. Fine of Rs. 200/- in the first violation and Rs. 400/- for subsequent violation in regard to not wearing of mask / face cover.
- 2. Fine of Rs. 1000/- for not ensuring social distancing in public and private transport, for not ensuring social distancing among the consumers in front of the shops by shopkeepers and for violating home quarantine norms.

Moreover, any person / institution / organisation violating the regulations shall be deemed to have committed offence punishable under Section 188 of IPC (45 of 1860).